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EXPEDITED ACTION REQUESTED

Re: Amendment of Section 202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations
(Goldsboro and Smithfield, North Carolina)
MM Docket No. 02-40
RM-10377

Transmitted herewith, on behalf of New Age Communications, Inc., licensee of Radio Station WKIX(FM), Goldsboro, North Carolina, are an original and four copies of a Request for Extension of Time in the above-captioned proceeding.

If any questions should arise during the course of your consideration of this matter, it is respectfully requested that you communicate with this office.

Sincerely,


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In the Matter of)	
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Amendment of Section 73.202(b))	MM Docket No. 02-40
Table of Allotments)	RM-10377
FM Broadcast Stations)	
(Goldsboro and Smithfield, North Carolina))	Expedited Action Requested

Request for Extension of Time

New Age Communications, Inc. ("NAC"), licensee of Station WKIX(FM), Channel 27.2A, Goldsboro, North Carolina, by its counsel, hereby requests an extension of time in which to file reply comments, until May 10, 2002, in the above-captioned proceeding. Good cause exists for this request, as shown below.

In the Notice of Proposed Rule Making ("*Notice*"), DA 02-409, released by the Commission on February 22, 2002, the Commission established a comment date of April 15, 2002, and a reply comment date of April 30, 2002.

On Friday, April 12, 2002, Franklin Broadcasting Co., licensee of WHLQ(FM), Louisburg, North Carolina ("WHLQ"), apparently filed comments and a counterproposal in this proceeding. A certificate of service attached to the comments certified that NAC's counsel was served, in accordance with the requirement of the *Notice*. However, NAC's counsel did not receive a service copy in accordance with the certificate. NAC's counsel has been informed by WHLQ's counsel that, through inadvertence, the post office box number line of NAC's counsel's address was missing from the address label, and the service copy was returned to WHLQ's counsel on April 22, 2002. A copy of the insufficiently addressed envelope is attached hereto. WHLQ's counsel immediately

overnighted the service copy to NAC's counsel, which was received on April 23, 2002.

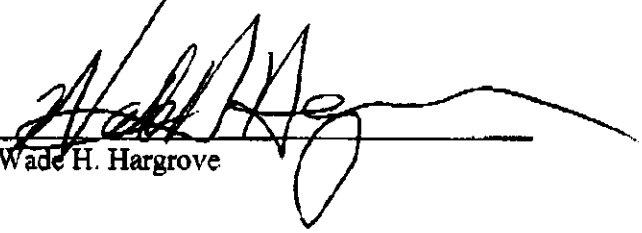
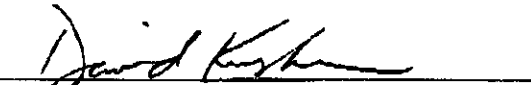
Simultaneously, NAC endeavored to search the Commission's electronic comment filing system ("ECFS") and physical records in order to determine whether any entity had filed comments in the proceeding. No evidence of WHLQ's comments were found, and telephone messages were left with the Commission staff handling this proceeding. Ultimately, when the Commission staff handling this matter returned to the office and returned the telephone call, also on April 23, 2002, it was discovered that WHLQ had, in fact, filed comments. A copy was provided to NAC's agent, and subsequently, the ECFS was updated to reflect the filing of the comments.

Due to other engagements of NAC's counsel on April 23, 2002, a copy of WHLQ's comments was not received until late in the day of April 23, at which point it was too late to immediately seek an extension of time. Therefore, it was impossible to file this request at least seven days before the reply comment filing date, and good cause exists to accept this request as a late-filed motion for a brief extension of time in accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 1.46(b).

Because the remaining time until the reply comment deadline is insufficient to adequately reply to WHLQ's comments and counterproposal and because NAC has been prejudiced by the loss of time, in an already short reply timeframe, through no fault of its own, NAC believes good cause exists to extend the reply comment deadline by 10 days, until May 10, 2002. NAC's counsel has been authorized to state that WHLQ's counsel consents to this request.

Therefore, for the foregoing reasons, NAC requests that the reply comment deadline in this proceeding be extended until May 10, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,


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Certificate of Service

The undersigned, of the law firm of Brooks, Pierce, McLendon, Humphrey & Leonard, L.L.P., hereby certifies that s/he has caused a copy of the foregoing Request for Extension of Time to be placed in the U.S. Mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed as follows and, in addition, to be transmitted by facsimile to the number shown below:

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This the 25th day of April, 2002.

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